

Justice for Paws Animal Rescue Animal Intake Policy

Introduction:

At Justice for Paws Animal Rescue, we are committed to providing a safe haven for animals in need and ensuring their well-being. Our Animal Intake Policy outlines the guidelines and procedures for accepting animals into our care. This policy reflects our dedication to prioritizing the welfare of the animals we serve while considering the capacity and resources of our organization.

Purpose:

The purpose of our Animal Intake Policy is to:

1. Ensure the humane treatment and proper care of animals entering our rescue.
2. Establish clear guidelines for the acceptance of animals based on our capacity and resources.
3. Prioritize animals most in need of rescue and rehabilitation.
4. Maintain transparency and fairness in our intake process.

Guidelines and Procedures:

1. Acceptance Criteria:

- We accept animals primarily from high-risk environments such as overcrowded shelters, situations of abuse or neglect, and emergency cases.
- Priority is given to animals at risk of euthanasia, those in critical medical conditions, pregnant animals, and orphaned neonates.
- We consider the temperament, health status, and adoptability of the animal when assessing suitability for intake.

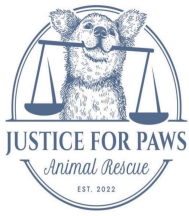
2. Capacity Assessment:

- We regularly evaluate our capacity, resources, and available foster homes to determine our intake capacity.
- Intake decisions are made based on our ability to provide appropriate care, including veterinary services, housing, and socialization.

3. Intake Process:

- Individuals seeking to surrender an animal must complete an intake application providing detailed information about the animal's history, behavior, and medical condition.
- Our intake team reviews each application and conducts an assessment to determine the suitability for intake.
- We may request additional information or conduct home visits as part of the intake process, especially for animals with special needs or behavioral concerns.

4. Medical Evaluation:



- Upon intake, all animals receive a comprehensive medical evaluation by a licensed veterinarian.
- Vaccinations, deworming, spaying/neutering, and microchipping are provided as needed, following established protocols.

- Animals diagnosed with medical conditions receive appropriate treatment and ongoing care.

5. Behavioral Assessment:

- Animals undergo behavioral assessments to evaluate temperament, socialization skills, and any potential behavior issues.

- We provide behavioral training and rehabilitation programs to address behavioral challenges and improve adoptability.

6. Placement and Adoption

- Animals deemed healthy and behaviorally sound are placed for adoption through our established adoption process.

- We prioritize matching animals with compatible adopters based on lifestyle, experience, and preferences.

- Adoption fees help support our rescue efforts and ensure the sustainability of our organization.

Conclusion:

Justice for Paws Animal Rescue is committed to upholding the highest standards of care and compassion for the animals we serve. Our Animal Intake Policy serves as a guiding framework to ensure that each animal receives the attention, support, and advocacy they deserve. By adhering to these guidelines and procedures, we strive to make a positive difference in the lives of animals in need and promote responsible pet ownership within our community.

Approved by:

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